

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the pending claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

1. (Currently Amended) A network comprising:

a central computer having a memory module for storing a plurality of customized icon configuration files corresponding to a plurality of network users ~~users' personal preferences~~, each of the plurality of customized icon configuration files ~~having~~ providing a specific set of icons arranged in a specific order based upon ~~the personal preferences of a respective network user~~ a personal preference of an associated one of the plurality of network users; and

a plurality of ~~imaging devices~~ multifunctional printers coupled to the ~~network~~ central computer, each ~~imaging device of the plurality of multifunctional printers~~ having a graphical user interface adapted to display at least one of the plurality of customized icon ~~configurations~~ configuration files associated with a current user of the ~~imaging device~~ multifunctional printer.

2. (Currently Amended) The network of claim 1, wherein the graphical user interface on at least some of the plurality of ~~imaging devices~~ multifunctional printers includes a home screen that includes an authentication icon to authenticate the current user.

3. (Currently Amended) The network of claim 2, wherein activation of the authentication icon initiates a log-in script to authenticate the current user.

4. (Currently Amended) The network of claim 2, wherein the customized icon configuration file associated with the current user is received by the ~~imaging device~~ multifunctional printer upon authentication of the current user.

5. (Original) The network of claim 2, further comprising at least one additional customized icon configuration file having a default icon arrangement not associated with one particular user.

6. (Original) The network of claim 5, wherein the default icon arrangement includes the

authentication icon.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Currently Amended) A method of using ~~an imaging device~~ a plurality of multifunctional printers connected to a central computer as a network, the method comprising:

storing in the central computer a plurality of customized icon configuration files corresponding to a plurality of network users, each of the plurality of customized icon configuration files providing a specific set of icons arranged in a specific order based upon a personal preference of an associated one of the plurality of network users;

selecting one of the plurality of multifunctional printers in the network;

activating a first user authentication script at ~~the imaging device~~ the selected multifunctional printer;

authenticating a first user;

retrieving at the selected multifunctional printer a first one of a the plurality of customized icon configuration files, the retrieved first one of the plurality of customized icon configuration files being preprogrammed for the first user;

displaying on a graphical user interface of the selected multifunctional printer a first configuration of icons ~~on a graphical user interface~~ corresponding to the retrieved first one of the plurality of customized icon configuration files;

activating a second user authentication script at the ~~imaging device~~ selected multifunctional printer subsequent to displaying the first configuration of icons;

authenticating a second user;

retrieving at the selected multifunctional printer a second one of the plurality of customized icon configuration files, the retrieved second one of the plurality of customized icon configuration files being preprogrammed for the second user;

displaying on the graphical user interface of the selected multifunctional printer a second configuration of icons ~~on the graphical user interface~~ corresponding to the retrieved second one of the plurality of customized icon configuration files.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the retrieved first one of the plurality of customized icon configuration files represents the personal preferences of the first user regarding the type and arrangement of icons displayed on the graphical user interface.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the retrieved second one of the plurality of customized icon configuration files represents the personal preferences of the second user regarding the type and arrangement of icons displayed on the graphical user interface.

11. (Original) The method of claim 8, further comprising displaying an icon on the graphical user interface adapted to activate the user authentication script.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the steps of retrieving a first one of a plurality of icon configuration files and retrieving a second one of the plurality of icon configuration files comprises sending the respective icon configuration file to the ~~device~~ selected multifunctional printer from a the central computer.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the step of sending the respective icon configuration file is initiated by the script.

14-17. (Cancelled).